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II Semester B.Com./B.B.A. (NEP) Degree Examination, August/September - 2024**GENERIC ENGLISH****English Blossoms****(Regular)****Time : 2 Hours****Maximum Marks : 60****I. Answer the following questions in a word, a phrase or a sentence each. (10×1=10)**

1. Who said "This room might be 10'×8"?
2. Where had Maliks purchased a plot?
3. What is the full form of BBC?
4. What is broken English?
5. Who is the companion of Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam?
6. What was the diameter of the bomb?
7. What reaches upto the throne of God?
8. What does the woman sell in the poem "I am not that woman"?
9. Who is the poet of the poem "Freedom"?
10. Where does the god hide in the poem "Freedom"?

II. A. Explain how Mrs. Malik took keen interest in getting her house built and furnished?**(OR)****B. What are the differences between home manners and company manners? Explain.****(1×10=10)****III. A. How does the poem "I am not that woman" bring out the hidden potential and rebellious spirit of the speaker?****(OR)****B. Discuss the poem "The Diameter of the Bomb" as an anti-war poem.****(1×10=10)****[P.T.O.]**

**IV. A. Write the synonyms of the following words**

i) Ability

ii) Goal. (2)

B. Define homonyms and give an example. (2)**C. Use the following confusing words in sentences**

i) Buy

ii) By. (2)

D. Form new words by adding affixes to the following words

i) Child

ii) Collect. (2)

E. Choose the collocating word given below and fill in the blanks (handsome, beautiful) (2)

i) What a flower!

ii) Anand is a boy.

(OR)**A. Write a brief note on techniques to improve listening skills. (5)****B. Read the following passage and enlist the words related to "essay".**

An essay is a piece of writing that is written to convince someone of something or to simply inform the reader about a particular topic. In order for the reader to be convinced or adequately informed, the essay must include several important components to make it flow in a logical way. The main parts or sections to an essay are introduction, body and conclusion. (5)

V. Answer any TWO of the following questions. (2×5=10)**A. Transform the following sentences into indirect speech.**

i) Shiva said, "I have work tomorrow".

ii) Vandana said, "What is she reading"?

iii) Ganesh said, "It is a wonderful novel"?

iv) Ashwini said, "I am reading a poem"?

v) He said, "I am fine". (5)

B. You visit a bank for opening a new account. Draft a dialogue copy on your conversation with the bank manager. (5)



- C. What is verbal and non-verbal communication? (5)
- D. Summarize the following passage and give a suitable title

The saddest part of life lies not in the act of dying, but in failing to truly live while we are alive. Too many of us play small with our lives, never letting the fullness of our humanity see the light of day. I have learned that what really counts in life, in the end, is not how many toys we have collected or how much money we have accumulated, but how many of our talents we have liberated and used for a purpose that adds value to this world? (5)

VI. Answer any TWO of the following questions. (2×5=10)

- A. There is cultural activities inagural function in your college. You are the General Secretary of your college. Draft a speech of welcome address to the gathering in the college auditorium. (5)
- B. Write an essay on "Women Empowerment". (5)

(OR)

- C. Translate the following passage into Kannada, Marathi, Hindi or Urdu Language
- Sachin Tendulkar: Sachin Ramesh Tendulkar was born on 24 April 1973. His father's name is Ramesh Tendulkar who was a Marathi novelist who wrote many Marathi novels. His mother's name is Rajani Tendulkar. (5)
- D. Write a short paragraph on Father's Day. (5)